

Media Release



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Coffs Harbour Bypass

The preferred route for the Coffs Harbour Highway Planning Strategy, including the Coffs Harbour bypass and Sapphire to Woolgoolga upgrade, was announced in December 2004.

Contrary to a media report, the proposed bypass will not impact on, or require the acquisition of any properties in the Roselands Estate.

A plan showing the preferred route is publicly available in the November 2006 community update at www.rta.nsw.gov.au/pacific - Coffs Harbour Highway Planning.

Survey and geotechnical work is currently being used to refine the boundaries of the road corridor for the Coffs Harbour bypass.

When finalised, the boundaries will be provided to Coffs Harbour City Council for inclusion in Council's Local Environmental Plan (LEP).

Since 2004 the RTA has been responding to applications from property owners whose land would be required by the proposal and are experiencing hardship.

The RTA is negotiating with property owners experiencing hardship under the fair and equitable provisions of the Land Acquisition (Just Terms Compensation) Act 1991. The RTA's offer and negotiations are based on the current market value of the property unaffected by the preferred route.

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